## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

State of Oklahoma, et al.,		) Case No. 4:05-cv-00329-GKF-PJC
	Plaintiffs,	)
		THE CARGILL DEFENDANTS'
vs.		) SEPARATE RESPONSE TO
		) PLAINTIFFS' MOTION IN LIMINE TO
Tyson Foods, Inc., et al.,		) PRECLUDE DEFENDANTS FROM
		) MAKING CERTAIN CATEGORIES OF
	Defendants.	) REFERENCES TO ITS PRIVATE
		) <b>COUNSEL (DKT. #2418)</b>

Cargill, Inc. and Cargill Turkey Production, LLC ("CTP") (together, the "Cargill Defendants") offer this separate response to Plaintiffs' Motion in Limine to Preclude Defendants From Making Certain Categories Of References to Its Private Counsel (Dkt. #2418).

The Cargill Defendants concur with Plaintiffs' position that it is inappropriate to refer at trial to where a lawyer practices, whether it be Oklahoma City, Fayetteville, Washington, D.C. or Minneapolis. If the Court has admitted the attorney to practice before it, whether *pro hac vice* or otherwise, that should be sufficient for all purposes. The Cargill Defendants assume that the Court's order on this issue would applicable to all parties and all attorneys.

As to the other categories described in Plaintiffs' motion, the Cargill Defendants' attorneys represent to the Court that they have no intention of making any reference or introducing any evidence concerning any of these categories. The Cargill Defendants do not intend to refer to Plaintiffs' private attorneys' employers, their contingency fee contracts, the possible sources of their remuneration, their advancement of the costs of this litigation or of expert witnesses, their political contributions to Attorney General Edmondson (or anyone else), or their representation of parties in the tobacco litigation. Indeed, the Cargill Defendants believe

that any references at all in this case to the tobacco litigation (such as the references offered by Plaintiffs' counsel at the August 18, 2009 hearing on dispositive motions) are entirely irrelevant and potentially highly prejudicial, and urges the Court to bar all such references.

Once again, the Cargill Defendants' only qualification is mutuality. The Cargill Defendants assume that, as officers of the Court, Plaintiffs' attorneys will likewise refrain from the same type of references to Defendants and their counsel to which they object in their present motion. With that commitment, the Cargill Defendants do not oppose Plaintiffs' motion.

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